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FOR NEA/EGY FROM AMBASSADOR

E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: SCUL, EG, US
SUBJECT: TUTANKHAMUN U.S. TOUR

REF: STATE 52712

1. AM SURPRISED THAT ABDEL MEGUID SHOULD HAVE SUGGESTED
TO MONTEBELLO THAT, UNLESS USG FINDS WAYS TO BE MORE
HELPFUL TO EGYPT IN MIDDLE EAST (WHATEVER THAT MAY MEAN),
GOE MIGHT WITHDRAW TUTANKHAMUN EXHIBIT AHEAD OF SCHEDULE.
DESPITE CONTINUING GOE BELIEF THAT WE ARE NOT DOING
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ENOUGH TO "PRESS" ISRAEL ON PEACE ISSUES ON WHICH WE
AGREE WITH GOE, I HAVE HEARD NO SUCH SUGGESTION HERE
FROM RESPONSIBLE EGYPTIAN OFFICIALS. WERE GOE TO DO
SO, IT SEEMS TO ME IT WOULD BE CUTTING OFF ITS NOSE TO
SPITE ITS FACE. AS I SEE IT FROM HERE, APART FROM
SADAT'S SEVERAL VISITS TO THE U.S., NOTHING HAS DONE
AS MUCH TO BRING TO THE ATTENTION OF THE AMERICAN PUBLIC

THE NAME OF EGYPT THAN HAS THE TUTANKHAMUN EXHIBIT.

2. NEVERTHELESS, I FIND IT INTERESTING AND SLIGHTLY
DISTURBING TO HEAR OF ABDEL MEGUID'S ALLEGED COMMENT.
IT MIGHT BE USEFUL TO BRING IT TO THE ATTENTION OF USUN
WITH SUGGESTION THAT SENIOR USUN OFFICER TAKE APPROPRIATE
OCCASION TO ENGAGE ABDEL MEGUID IN GENERAL DISCUSSION OF
SUCCESS OF TUTANKHAMUN EXHIBIT AND SEE WHAT EGYPTIAN
PERMREP SAYS ON THE SUBJECT TO AN AMERICAN OFFICIAL.
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